

## **Communication Difficulties & Interventions - Half Day (3 Hours)**

### **Overview**

Communication difficulties are one of the cornerstone difficulties in autism spectrum conditions and correctly supporting any communication differences can go a long way towards improving quality of life and reducing behaviours of concern.

This course begins by examining how and why communication difficulties arise in individuals with autism and then moves on to discuss a selection of practical solutions and interventions for how these can be supported. The course is suitable for anyone supporting people with autism (either with or without a diagnosis) including family, friends, carers and other professionals.

Our experienced trainer has nearly 20 years' experience working as a specialist in the field of autism and behaviours of concern and uses a combination of short talks, video, workshop activities and group discussion to suit a range of learning styles and will happily welcome questions and offer supportive strategies throughout the course.

### **Learning Outcomes**

At the end of this course attendees will:

- Know about autism spectrum conditions.
  - Understand what communication is.
  - Learn how people on the autism spectrum may find communication difficulty.
  - Understand how people may use their behaviour to communicate.
  - Have an appreciation of some practical interventions (e.g. PECS, Makaton and TEACHH).
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